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SUBJECT: MISSION DISCUSSIONS WITH WHO DDG LAMBO RE WHO
DRUG PROGRAM

REF: (A) GENEVA 8548; (B) GOUGH/BUCZACKI LETTER OF 11/13/75

1. FOR MISSION'S INFORMATION, DEPARTMENT WOULD LIKE TO SUM-
MARIZE US POSITION REGARDING WHO DRUG DEPENDENCE PROGRAM.

A. WE ARE NOT ASKING WHO TO EXPAND ITS DRUG PROGRAM: WE
UNDERSTAND WHO DESIRE TO MAINTAIN BALANCE BETWEEN DRUG PRO-
GRAM AND OTHER MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS. US DOES BELIEVE
THAT WHO SHOULD FULLY UTILIZE REGULAR BUDGET RESOURCES AND
UNFDAC FUNDS ALREADY ALLOTTED FOR DRUG PROJECTS. UNFDAC-
FUNDED EPIDEMIOLOGICAL STUDY IS ALREADY ONE YEAR BEHIND
SCHEDULE AND IS STILL UNDERSTAFFED. WHO HAS YET TO RECRUIT
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UNFDAC-FUNDED ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAM OFFICER TO EXPEDITE

EXECUTION OF FUND-FINANCED PROJECTS. WHO DILATORINESS MAKES UNFDAC LOOK DISTINCTLY LAW ENFORCEMENT-ORIENTED, SINCE ONLY UNFDAC'S LAW ENFORCEMENT PROJECTS SEEM TO PROGRESS AND ACHIEVE RESULTS. THIS APPARENT IMBALANCE IN UNFDAC PROGRAMMING COULD ADVERSELY AFFECT UNFDAC'S FUND-RAISING POSSIBILITIES.

B. WHO INABILITY TO SPEND UNFDAC MONEY COULD ALSO IMPAIR THE FUND'S FUND-RAISING EFFORTS BY PRODUCING IMPRESSION AMONG POTENTIAL DONORS THAT UNFDAC IS ADEQUATELY FINANCED.

C. WHO SHOULD FILL AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE VACANCIES ON ITS DRUG STAFF. DR. LING IS LEAVING TO HEAD DND, AND DR. CHRUSCIEL HAS NOT BEEN REPLACED AFTER THREE MONTHS, EVEN THOUGH THE WHO PHARMACOLOGIST PERFORMS IMPORTANT TREATY FUNCTIONS. THESE TWO POSITIONS ARE THE ONLY DRUG-RELATED PROFESSIONAL JOBS FUNDED THROUGH WHO REGULAR BUDGET. FILLING EITHER OF THEM SHOULD NOT REQUIRE ADDITIONAL FINANCING BY WHO MEMBER STATE AS SUGGESTED BY LAMBO IN REF (A).

D. US IS NOT PRESSING WHO TO HIRE DR. TOCUS, THOUGH HE IS CERTAINLY EXCELLENT CANDIDATE. US EXPECTS THAT WHO PHARMACOLOGIST WILL BE CHOSEN FOR HIS QUALIFICATIONS, AND NOT FOR REASONS OF GEOGRAPHICAL REPRESENTATION.

2. WE DO NOT PROPOSE THAT MISSION APPROACH MAHLER OR LAMBO ON THIS, BUT HOPE THAT AN INFORMAL OCCASION MAY ARISE DURING EHRLICH'S VISIT NOV 24-28 ON WHICH THESE POINTS CAN BE CONVEYED. KISSINGER

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